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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER		CLIENT-MATTER NO.: 66765-110 (P-UW 4979)	
SERIAL NO: 09/972,834	FILING DATE: October 4, 2001	EXAMINER: J. Fredman	GROUP ART UNIT: 1634 CONFIRMATION NO.: 5445
INVENTION: THERMOSTABLE POLYMERASES HAVING ALTERED FIDELITY AND METHODS OF IDENTIFYING AND USING SAME			

TO: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
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Transmitted herewith is a Response to the Office Action mailed July 10, 2003, in the above-identified application.

- Small Entity status of this application has been established under 37 CFR 1.27.
- Petition for Two-Month Extension of Time is enclosed (in duplicate).
- Declaration pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 executed by Leroy E. Hood.
- Terminal Disclaimer with fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.20(d) is enclosed.
- No additional claims fee is required.
- An additional claims fee is required and has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	NUMBER AFTER AMEND- MENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	NUMBER OF EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENTED	RATE		FEE	
				SMALL ENTITY	OTHER ENTITY	SMALL ENTITY	OTHER ENTITY
TOTAL CLAIMS	52	-	45	-	7	x \$9	\$18
INDEPEN- DENT CLAIMS	5	-	4	-	1	x \$42	\$84
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM		YES		XX	NO	\$140	\$280
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE						\$	\$210.00

* If the "HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR" is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

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- Please charge my Deposit Account No. 502624 the amount of \$630.00, \$420.00 of which covers the fee for a two-month extension of time and \$210.00 for the additional claims fee. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 502624. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 502624 any fees under 37 CFR 1.17 which may be required under 37 CFR 1.136(a)(3) for an extension of time in any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

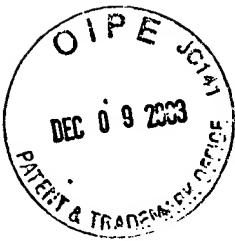
Respectfully submitted,



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